


***I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2012 (SECOND) REGULAR SESSION**

**Resolution No.** 434-31 (LS)

Introduced by:

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**Relative to recognizing, commending and congratulating Simon A. Sanchez High School English teacher Ms. Acie Jo Sablan Cruz for leading her senior English classes in their School Year 2011-12 “Legacy” project, which empowered students and instilled pride and ownership of the school through the cleaning, improvement and renovation of the Yigo school gymnasium.**

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I**

2 ***MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:***

3 **WHEREAS,** Ms. Ace Jo Sablan Cruz has been a dedicated Guam

4 Department of Education teacher since 2002, and continues to prove her

5 dedication and leadership skills through her active involvement in the school

6 community improvement through her efforts including serving as activities

7 coordinator; Student Body Association co-adviser; Professional

8 Development Committee chairperson; Girls' and Boys' Volleyball Club

9 adviser; Making Wishes Come True chairperson; a teacher mentor; Sharks

10 Got Talent Faculty/ Staff Showcase chairperson; Student/Staff/Teacher

11 Achievement Recognition Committee chairperson; Technology Grant

12 Committee co-chairperson; senior class co-adviser; Principal Leadership

1 Society co-adviser; Yearbook Club and Paintball Club co-adviser; head  
2 adviser of the sophomore class of 2005, junior class of 2005, and senior  
3 class of 2005; and an International Reading Association member; and,

4 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Cruz received numerous awards which include Top  
5 Teacher Island wide for Read A Thon 2002, 2007, and 2011; Top Teacher  
6 for Secondary Division for Read a Thon 2005; teacher of the month 2005;  
7 and Perfect Attendance Award; and,

8 **WHEREAS**, in continuation of her commitment to serve the school  
9 community, in January 2012, Ms. Cruz created and led efforts of the  
10 “Legacy” project with all of her English 12 classes, who are all 12<sup>th</sup> graders,  
11 as a way to give back to the school and to leave behind their legacy for  
12 others to remember; and,

13 **WHEREAS**, the Simon A. Sanchez High School gymnasium was  
14 recognized by Ms. Cruz and her students as being a multi-purpose  
15 facility used for a variety of significant events such as interscholastic  
16 games, physical education classes, a meeting place for hosting visiting  
17 Japanese student, a venue for the annual *Gupot Chamorro* Day, Senior  
18 Class Count-Down, dance competitions, school assemblies, and myriad  
19 other uses; and,

20 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Cruz, after choosing to improve the gymnasium

1 by way of a class vote, coordinated and organized the planning efforts of  
2 students, streamlining communication efforts among her classes using  
3 the social medium "Facebook," charting the plans in her classroom, and  
4 dividing the gymnasium into four (4) different concentrated and  
5 focused parts for her students; and,

6 **WHEREAS**, through Ms. Cruz support and guidance, her students  
7 were able to successfully solicit and gain the support of five (5) different  
8 businesses to respond to their efforts to renovate the gymnasium by  
9 securing paint, painting supplies, scaffolding equipment, an agreement  
10 for roof repair, monetary donations, food and drinks, as well as other in-  
11 kind donations; and, since March 2012, Ms. Cruz and the students spent  
12 countless hours doing most of the work themselves staying after school,  
13 using weekends, and having sleep-overs on Friday nights cleaning,  
14 painting, water-blasting, brushing, scraping, and applying artwork to  
15 the gymnasium; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the gymnasium is finally complete and ready for  
17 Senior Count-Down, senior students' last day of school in 2012; now,  
18 therefore, be it

19 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules, on behalf of *I*  
20 *Mina'TrentaiUuno Na Liheslaturan Guahan* and the people of Guam do

1 hereby recognize, commend and congratulate Simon A. Sanchez High  
2 School English teacher Ms. Acie Jo Sablan Cruz for leading her senior  
3 English classes in their School Year 2011-12 “Legacy” project, which  
4 empowered students and instilled pride and ownership of the school through  
5 the cleaning, improvement and renovation of the Yigo school gymnasium;  
6 and, be it further

7 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee  
8 on Rules, and the Secretary of the Legislature attests to, the adoption hereof  
9 and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Ms. Acie Jo Sablan  
10 Cruz; and to the Honorable Edward J. Calvo, *I Maga’lahen Guahan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU***  
***NALIHESLATURAN GUAHAN* ON THIS DAY \_\_\_\_\_ OF**  
**\_\_\_\_\_ 2012.**

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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D**  
**Speaker**

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**RORY J. RESPICIO**  
**Chairperson, Committee on Rules**

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**TINA ROSE MUNA BARNES**  
**Legislative Secretary**